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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: Application of Akira HIROSHIGE and Yoshihiro NAKAMI
IMAGE PROCESSING METHOD, RECORDING MEDIUM, AND IMAGE
PROCESSING APPARATUS
Assignee: SEIKO EPSON CORPORATION
Our Ref: O68814

Dear Sir:

This is a request for a Continuation-in-Part Application of PCT/JP01/05914 filed July 6, 2001 of Akira HIROSHIGE, Yoshihiro NAKAMI entitled IMAGE PROCESSING METHOD, RECORDING MEDIUM, AND IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS.

Attached hereto is the Continuation-in-Part Application comprising the specification, including the claims and abstract, ten (10) sheets of drawings, preliminary amendment, Information Disclosure Statement and PTO form 1449 and priority document.

The executed Declaration and Power of Attorney, executed Assignment and PTO 1595 form will be submitted at a later date.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	<u>9</u>	-	20	=	<u> </u>	x	\$18.00	=	<u> \$0.00</u>
Independent claims	<u>3</u>	-	3	=	<u> </u>	x	\$84.00	=	<u> \$0.00</u>
Base Fee									\$740.00

TOTAL FEE	\$740.00
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A check for the statutory filing fee of \$740.00 is attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

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Priority is claimed from:

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Filing Date

Japan

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The application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,

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